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Really, and underneath all their

external diversities, all men are of

one heart and mind. Trust men, and they

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12,878 weekly newspapers, with a total circulation of nearly forty millions. These figures do not indicate that the day of the weekly newspaper has passed. It is true that the daily newspaper is becoming more and more into general circulation, and the rural free delivery is lending valuable aid, but the metropolitan daily, with all its fine features, cannot take the place of the weekly paper in the rural districts. The local paper deals especially with local news, with bits of neighborhood gossip concerning persons and things which the metropolitan paper does not cover, and, in addition, there are court notices, business notices, advertisements of land sales, announcements of meetings, and all that sort of thing, which make a local paper not only entertaining, but indispensable to every family which wants to keep in touch with neighborhood affairs. Many families in the rural districts take a daily newspaper, but they take the local paper also, and if they had to give up one or the other the chances are that most of them would give up the daily.

For these reasons the weekly newspapers of Virginia have a larger circulation to-day, and are more generally prosperous than ever they were in the history of Virginia. Any man who doubts this statement may have his doubts removed by attending a meeting of the Virginia Press Association, which is composed, for the most part, of country editors. Their reports from year to year are more and more encouraging, and they show in their appearance that they are prosperous.

We are somewhat reluctant to make the statement, for it may sound like flattery, but the statement is true, that the editors of the country newspapers in Virginia are men of intelligence, integrity and of clean life. They are jolly, warm-hearted and sociable, but they are temperate in all things, and their conduct at their annual meetings is above criticism.

A few years ago the proprietor of a hotel at which the association met remarked to several of the members that the Virginia Press Association was, without exception, the best behaved body of men he had ever in a long experience entertained.

It follows of necessity that these editors are men of influence at home, and he who thinks that the rural press of Virginia is not a power in politics and all affairs of state is poorly informed as to the fact. In our opinion, it was never more influential than it is to-day.

The next Governor of Virginia will appoint two members of the State Corporation Commission and most of the members of the boards of visitors of our public institutions, the State hospitals, the institutions of learning and so on. Do you want those appointments to be made by a Republican? If not, be sure that you vote the Democratic ticket on next Tuesday.

Nail This Republican Slander.

On various occasions Republican speakers have predicted that there would be all sorts of cheating and trickery on the part of Democratic election officials in next Tuesday's election. It is a reflection upon the honesty and integrity of the Democratic party. The election machinery is in control of the Democrats, and upon the Democratic judges the responsibility rests.

We urge upon all such judges to conduct the election in their respective precincts in such a way as to give the Republicans no pretext even for crying fraud after the election is over; we urge them to be careful to make the election so fair and honest as to be above question and above suspicion. The great body of Virginia Democrats demand this. No one thing could be done at this time to injure the Democratic party and the cause of Democracy so much as the practice of fraud in next Tuesday's election. The Democrats of Virginia simply will not stand for it.

We have no reason whatsoever to believe there will be any fraud or irregularity, and we do not mean to intimate such a thing. Our only reason for referring to the subject is that the Republicans have made these evil and slanderous predictions, and we urge election officials to be more than ordinarily careful in their conduct of the election, in counting the ballots and in making returns, so as to compel the Republicans to confess that their evil and slanderous predictions were unfounded. Let us make the regular election as straightforward and as far above suspicion as the primary was. To do so will be to disarm the Republicans and to promote the cause of Democracy, clean politics and public morals.

The next Legislature of Virginia will elect one-fourth of the circuit judges, and all the city court judges with three or four exceptions. Do you want those judges to be selected from the ranks of the Republicans? If not, go to the polls on Tuesday next and vote the straight Democratic ticket.

The Country Weekly.

The Newport News Times-Herald having remarked that the day of the weekly newspaper, "certainly the day of its great influence in the politics of the State," has passed, the Hampton Monitor replies: "And therein raps us and many other of its dear friends throughout the State a right hard blow. We are perfectly willing to submit that there is a great deal of the one-horsedness about the weekly, but we raise a humble protest against the statement that the weekly is a back number."

It may be estimated that in Virginia there are eighteen good, bad and indifferent dailies, which have an audience of 114,000, while the 250 weeklies enter about 300,000 Virginia homes, and in many instances they are worn out going from one home to another which are not on the subscription list.

In 1850 there were 3,173 weekly newspapers in the United States, with a total circulation of 7,500,000; in 1900, according to the United States census, there were

may not a parent be compelled to have his child treated with antitoxin when the child is afflicted or threatened with diphtheria?

The next Legislature of Virginia will elect members of the Supreme Court of Appeals. Do you want the justices of that court to be selected from the ranks of the Republicans? If not, go to the polls on Tuesday next and vote the straight Democratic ticket.

wholly for a monumental industrial work from which all future generations will derive inestimable benefit? This is a question which Congress will have to consider in making provisions for financing the Panama Canal. Already \$60,000,000 has been taken out of the national treasury on account of the canal, of which only \$10,000,000, however, has been expended in the work of construction. Forty millions went to the French financiers in payment for the concession and properties. Should Congress adopt the plan of annual appropriations for continuing the work, the bookkeeping difficulties of the present administration, already a matter of some anxiety, would be greatly enhanced.

The October issue of the National Waifs Magazine, of London, is devoted largely to a sketch of the life-work of the late Dr. Barnardo. Into less than forty years Dr. Barnardo crowded a remarkable record. His first "Arab" was rescued in the autumn of 1868; at the time of his death last month 8,400 boys and girls were under the care of the various homes so widely known under his name. Nearly 60,000 children in all had been rescued, and there was a weekly average of seventy new admissions all over the kingdom.

The next Legislature of Virginia will elect a man to represent this State in the United States Senate. Do you want Virginia to be represented in that body by a Republican? If not, go to the polls on Tuesday next and vote the straight Democratic ticket.

In rebuking the evil of gambling, Mrs. Russell Sage no doubt did not mean to include operations of the New York Stock Exchange.

The Philadelphia grafters who cleaned up more than \$5,000,000 on a single job have fairly proved their claim to the title of head of the perfish.

However, as to "hollering" with joy, it must be remembered that Russia is still some distance from being out of the woods.

In considering polygamy as a foreign institution only, the Presbyterian Synod would seem to have done a grave injustice to Mr. Johann Hoch.

Meanwhile, Philadelphia has suddenly ceased to be the city we used to make those little jokes about.

Mr. Shonts having long resided in Chicago, is naturally pleased at the prospect of now going to live in Panama.

If those new winter clothes felt a bit too wintry yesterday, be content to play a patient waiting game.

It appears that a dash of Russian spirit is being injected into the politics of little old New York.

So far as we are advised all possible advances of sea-sickness were completely turned down by Mr. Roosevelt.

None the less, reform in Russia cannot be expected to get along swimmingly without the assistance of Russian Finns.

Doubtless, A. Bernard Shaw has quit regarding cockstockery as simply a rattling good joke.

Not a Question of Memory.

We have a letter from Mr. Robert W. Blair, Republican, in which he says: "In a recent editorial in your paper you criticized language used by Captain Kent in his speech at the hearing of the editorial being 'Good Manners in Politics.' Now, I heard Captain Kent's speech, and can emphatically deny the language attributed to him."

The extract which we quoted from the speech of Mr. Gleaves was taken from the Rockingham Register and credited to that paper. The speech of Mr. Kent, which we quoted, was taken from a stenographic report. The issue is between Mr. Blair and the stenographer.—Times-Dispatch.

Captain Kent's speech was delivered in Harrisonburg at September court. It was taken down by the most reliable stenographer in the city, and it was being taken down by the stenographer after the meeting, and the objectionable language uttered orally appeared in the written speech, as published.

Mr. Robert W. Kent was not in Harrisonburg at the time of the hearing, and he consequently knows nothing of what Captain Kent said there. The quotation was literally accurate and its publication was authorized. There is no question of memory involved.

As to Mr. Gleaves, his language quoted by the Register is equally correct. It was printed while Mr. Gleaves was still in Harrisonburg and was characterized as the utterance of a blatherer. He made no complaint then, and so far as we are advised has never disclaimed it. Precisely the same language was attributed to him by the Spirit of the Valley, the Republican newspaper of the county, in its report of his speech.—Rockingham Register.

Take Your Choice.

The Rev. John W. Daugherty is pained and grieved by the intimation made by Dr. Barkdale that he is a hypnotist. Two middle-aged little parsons stroked his gray moustache and actually shuddered when a News Leader reporter asked him if he practiced the mesmerite art. "Never," he exclaimed. "Hypnotism is a diabolical practice. I have always taken my people to the subject and read the magister of the so-called Dr. Barkdale has certainly spoken harshly when, if he really mean to accuse me of being a hypnotist. Never have I read a page of a book on hypnotism. I shun the hypnotist as I do the evil one."—News Leader November 1st.

"Mr. Daugherty, it has been intimated that you possess hypnotic powers. Is this correct?" asked the reporter.

"Not in the sense that the majority of people believe," replied the pastor. "I have read of the subject and even reading man has done likewise. It would be impossible to search the Scriptures without gathering some idea of this power."—Evening Journal November 1st.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Virginia—Fair and colder Thursday; Friday, fair; fresh northwest wind. North Carolina—Fair and colder Thursday; Friday, fair; fresh northwest winds.

Conditions Yesterday.

9 A. M. 57
12 M. 55
3 P. M. 52
6 P. M. 50
(Average) 53.5

Highest temperature yesterday 66
Lowest temperature yesterday 42
Mean temperature yesterday 54
Normal temperature yesterday 50
Departure from normal temperature 4

Thermometer This Day Last Year

9 A. M. 47
12 M. 57
3 P. M. 65
(Average) 56.3

Conditions in Important Cities.

(At 8 P. M., Eastern Time.)

Place.	Ther.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Asheville, N. C.	46	52	40	Clear
Augusta	50	57	42	Clear
Chapel Hill	58	65	48	Clear
Chicago, Ill.	34	38	28	Clear
Cincinnati, O.	38	42	30	Clear
Cleveland, W.	42	46	32	Clear
Haiters, N. C.	62	68	52	Clear
Memphis	54	62	46	Clear
New York City	62	64	54	Clear
Norfolk	58	62	50	Clear
Raleigh	64	70	56	Clear
Savannah	62	71	54	Clear
Wilmington	60	70	50	Clear

Miniature Almanac.

Sun. rises 6:37
Sun. sets 5:11
Moon sets 10:21
November 2, 1905.
HIGH TIDE 1:57
Morning 5:05
Evening 5:16

RYMES FOR TODAY

How Would You Take It?

If you owned a brand-new motor which would never never more.

Or a steamer which would rarely ever.

Would you let it make you nitty, or just say, in accents witty:

"I will have to get a wagon and a team!"

If you had an elevator which would seldom elevate.

Or a tutor who would rarely tute.

Would you let a bitter curse off, or just say: "Well, I'm no worse off than a beauty who's forgotten how to beaut?"

If you had an alligator who declined to allude.

Or a tapir preferred to never tape.

Would you deem your lot much harder than the lord's that's in the larder.

Or a vapor's when it's got too weak to vapo?"

If you patronized a butcher who was much too proud to butcher.

Or a grocer who was anything but gross.

Would you lean to changing places with a booby who has grown too old to booby?"

H. S. H.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

November 2nd.

1552—Claude d'Annebault, a French admiral, died; distinguished for his bravery and wisdom.

1600—Richard Hooker, an eminent English divine, died. "Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity," in eight books, procured him great fame and popularity.

1610—Richard Bancroft died; chaplain to Queen Elizabeth, Bishop of London and Archbishop of Canterbury.

1716—Engelbert Kaempfer, an eminent German botanist, died. Besides his works on botany, he wrote a "History of Japan."

1759—Charles Hanbury Williams, an English poet and ambassador, died.

1788—John Henderson, an English scholar, died. He displayed a very early period of an uncommon desire for knowledge. He died, however, the victim of intemperance.

1818—Samuel Romilly, a learned English statesman, died by his own hand, in consequence of the death of his wife.

1849—Anthony Cagiale, an eminent Italian surgeon, died. He was president of the Royal College of Surgeons.

1850—Samuel Young, a New York statesman, died at Ballston, aged seventy-one.

1870—Franco-Prussian War: armistice of twenty-five days proposed. The French refused to hold elections for a Constituent Assembly. This was the result of M. Thiers's interview with Count Bismarck.

1870—Franco-Prussian War: a vote taken in the city of Paris on the question of endorsing the hold elections for a government. Result—567,996 ayes, 62,638 nays.

1904—Russo-Japanese War: general assault on Port Arthur continued with unabated fury; sound of big guns heard in Chefoo all day; entire Japanese fleet in blockading.

Some Parting Shots.

Republican managers find fault with Democrats for discussing Judge Lewis in connection with reconstruction. Republicanism. Why should they do it? Let Judge Lewis be a candidate for office? Let the record of a man in that status answer a fit subject for comment? Here in the name of common sense, we arrive at the public worth or lack thereof in a public man unless we go to his public record?—Roanoke Evening World.

But the intensity of his bitterness against Judge Hurdley and Hon. J. Taylor Elyson, rect. at Richmond, and that at Newport News without justification, shows that his political affiliations have not taught him the proper use of language in public speech, or modified his partisan animosity. He has thereby gone very far toward justifying the recall of his political opponents earlier in the campaign.—Roanoke Evening World.

There is a great Capital spoken of in the news, but it is immediately rejected, and a leper. Judge Lewis is a gentleman and he may be great and good, but he is a Republican.—Parville Free Blade.

It Made Him Sick.

Nozy—Aha! Here you are breaking your good resolution already.

Lushman—But I'm using this whisky for medicinal purposes.

Nozy—But you're not sick, surely?

Lushman—Yes, I am. I'm sick of the resolution I made.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

WHAT'S THE USE

Experimenting